

Summer Term Newsletter 2012

Dear Parents and Friends,

May I begin with a massive round of applause to all the wonderful dancers and team in our recent bi-annual show. Totals are still to be finalised but we are confident our efforts have raised over £2000 for our local Hospice. My heartfelt thanks to all concerned. We were delighted that Becky Grosvenor-Taylor sang in the junior pupils show on the Saturday morning. She recently sang (in English and Welsh) at the Six Nations Rugby Cup and is a regular attender of our senior classes when her engagements permit.

Seniors leaving this term are Sophie Lewis, who has been offered a place at Central School of Ballet but has decided to pursue an academic career at Cranleigh Public School; Sophie Morgan who has a place at London School of Contemporary Dance; Katie Rogers who is going to the Conservatoire of Scotland to do a degree in Modern Ballet and Emma Riggs, who has been offered place at Cambridge University. We wish them all the very best.

Imogen Alvares was runner up in the Young Dancer of the Year Competition at the Richmond Festival and Amy Charlton will be joining the West End cast of Matilda.

It was a busy Easter for me, as well as show rehearsals I taught at the Dance Forward Easter Course alongside illustrious dancers of today (and yesterday!)

We have received an invitation from the Artistic Director of the Royal Academy of Dance to pilot the new Grade 4 and 5 examination work.

Miss Beth will be leaving us at the end of this term to take up a new position and we wish her all the very best for her future. Miss Jade will take over teaching the higher grade ballet classes (6, 7, and 8) which, from September, will be on a Wednesday evening at Oakfield School. I will let you know who will be teaching her Thursday classes as soon as I have had confirmation,

We welcome to the staff Miss Clair Thomas, another family ballerina returning home. Clair danced with me from Primary to Advanced, winning the prestigious Adeline Genee Gold Award. She performed with London City Ballet, Dutch National Ballet, English National Ballet and the Michael Clark Company. She successfully completed the Royal Academy of Dance Professional Teachers Course and has been teaching in Vocational Schools. We are delighted she is coming home to the Methodist Hall where her career started.

Royal Academy of Dance Examination Results

Vocational

Advanced 1:- Elisabeth Reid, Merit

Intermediate:- Imogen Alvares, Beth Andrews, Olivia Leitch, Rebecca Mabin, Nadia Slater, Katie Valentine, Distinction; Emma Hunter, Merit

Intermediate Foundation:- Amy Charlton, Clemmie Moore, Talay Namintraporn, Lucy Wood, Distinction.

Our 90 Club were Imogen Alvares, Olivia Leitch and Lucy Wood. Lucy had an amazing 97.

Miss Helen's ISTD Tap and Modern

Spring Term 13 Distinctions, 9 Merits and 2 passes

Autumn Term 9 Distinctions, 11 Merits 2 passes.

The 90 Club- Olivia Leitch, Intermediate Modern

Congratulations to all our students on their results.

Dates

Summer Term Ends Monday 16th July

Royal Academy of Dance Examinations, Thursday 19th July, Friday 20th July.

Autumn Term Dates 2012

We return on Monday 10th September

Half Term - Two weeks commencing Monday 22nd September to Saturday 3rd November, classes resuming Monday 5th November.

End of Term Saturday 1st December.

RAD provisional exam dates 20th, 21st, 22nd December.

NB Hoe Bridge Parents please check your dates with Miss Cathy as they may well be different

Dee Dee Roberts and Mark Leitch Awards Saturday 29th September at Weybridge Bowling Club.

Epworth Christmas Carol Concert Monday 10th December, Christ Church , Woking.

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School web site www.srballet.com is a useful source of information

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